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Draft report

Addendum

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II. PROGRAMME QUESTIONS

Proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997

Programme 3. Political and General Assembly affairs and secretariat services

1. At its 32nd and 33rd meetings, on 9 and 10 September 1992, the Committee considered the proposed revisions to programme 3 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 (A/47/6 (Prog. 3)).

Discussion

2. One delegation noted that the transfer to the Department of Economic and Social Development of the United Nations Secretariat of functions relating to the technical servicing of meetings in the economic and social fields, as referred to in paragraph 3.3 of the proposed revisions to this programme, split servicing functions for the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council that had only recently been consolidated. It expressed concern that there should be adequate cooperation among the different offices of the

Secretariat that are now responsible for technical servicing of the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly.

3. Several delegations were of the view that paragraph 3.2 of the proposed revisions to Programme 3 needed to be revised. One delegation suggested that the paragraph be deleted.

Conclusions and recommendations

4. The Committee noted the confirmation by the Secretariat that the reference to a Secretary-General's Bulletin in the proposed revision to paragraph 3.3 should not be seen as a mandate.

5. The Committee recommended the approval of the revisions to programme 3 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997.